



Town of Bolton
3045 Theodore Roosevelt Highway
Bolton VT 05676
Select Board Minutes
May 11, 2015

Board members present: Josh Arneson, Jen Dudley-Gaillard, Ron Lafreniere, Chair, Sharon Murray
Board members absent: Gene Armstrong
Also present: Andrew Pond, MMMUSD, Mike Gervia, BVFD
Clerk: Amy Grover

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. with a quorum of 4 members present.

2. Additions or deletions to the agenda:

Additions:

- BOLL Update: Jen noted that Amy Ludwin, CC had met with Dave Hardy, GMC and that the GMC would be installing the BOLL at their sign kiosk on the north side of the Winooski River.
- DRB Update: Sharon noted that:
 1. The DRB had closed the GMC hearing: application approved with conditions.
 2. The DRB had issued a decision on the 4 x 4 Center application with conditions, one of which was requiring a performance bond with respect to stormwater ponds. Noted: a difficult site with steep slopes and SPAs. The DRB expects the 4 x 4 Center may request reconsideration.
- CCRPC: Request to appoint a representative and alternate to the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) for a two year term beginning July 1, 2015. Noted: Eric Andrews currently serves as the representative, and there is no alternate.

Deletions: No warrants to be signed.

3. Public comment: none.

4. Appointments:

Andrew Pond – MMMUSD. It was noted that and discussion included:

- Brief history of the lease with the town of Bolton for a portion of land that lies under the northwest corner of the school building.
- There would be a survey done in the future.
- That because of the merger the BSD needs to transfer the lease to the MMUSD, and needs the town's consent to do that.

Sharon asked if this would affect BVFD access to Joiner Brook. Andrew replied that he did not believe so as it was only a lease at this point, not a sale.

Jen made the motion "to consent to assignment of lease and option to purchase from the Bolton School District to the Mount Mansfield Union School District #17" Josh seconded. There was no further discussion. All were in favor and the motion passed (4-0).

5. Business and Action Items:

Old Business

- Fireworks Ordinance: The group reviewed the draft Fireworks Ordinance with input from BVFD Chief. Discussion included:
 1. The \$100 fine is less than the \$175 permit fee.
 2. Pre and post site inspections and on site duty during a display would add up to 5 hours of time for the BVFD.

3. The BVFD has no gear or equipment to deal with unexploded shells. Post inspection should be the responsibility of the company providing the fireworks and should be written into the ordinance.
4. How fines/fees would be allocated, payment to volunteers or offsetting expenses.
5. If the BVFD is covered under Indemnification as part of the town.
6. Potential for difficulty in providing staff/vehicle on site. Add that a vehicle/firetruck on site would be at the Chief's discretion.
7. Suggestion that the Ponds build a launch site area with gravel.

Other discussion:

8. Number of hours the chief currently puts in yearly.
9. 911 signs that were made at no charge for the residents of Wentworth & Thatcher Roads and the Country Club Condominiums that had to change their 911 numbers – loss of revenue for the BVFD.
10. Mike is working on staffing the Zenith event in June with a vehicle and staff on site for the burns.

Sharon volunteered to complete research on payment and staffing, Josh to check with Bolton Valley on possibility of a launch site and who does their post inspections.

- Personnel Policy: Tabled.

New Business

- Expenditure and Revenue Reports: Dispersed. Amy noted that there is an issue with how the Public Works retirement line item is hitting the General Ledger, under General Government. Corrections will be made a year end.
- Minutes May 4, 2015: Jen made the motion "to approve the minutes of May 4, 2015." Sharon seconded. There was no further discussion. All were in favor, and the motion passed (4-0).

6. **Communications: none.**

7. **Other Business: none**

8. **Closing**: No other business was brought before this Board at this time. Jen made the motion "to close the meeting." Josh seconded. There was no further discussion. All were in favor and the motion passed (4-0), at 8:43 p.m.

Attest: Amy Grover, Clerk

Minutes are unofficial until approved. These minutes were read and approved by the Bolton Select Board on:

May 18, 2015 ,



 Ron Laffreniere, Chair, For the Board